

Apalachicola March 23. 1857

My dear Sir

On the eve of his departure
for Europe Dr Engelman sent me a hasty
note requesting me to send you ~~an~~
Apuntia which grows here & dried
specimens of which he had seen in Dr
Tone's hb - By the ship "Vandalia"
Capt Anderson bound for Boston I sent
about a week ago a little Shaker Box
full of such plants as an icy winter
had left adrift to you & to be kept
until called for - You must therefore
look out for her about the time this
reaches you

On my return from the north last fall
I found a pamphlet from you entitled
"Statistics of the Flora of the Northern U.S." for which
I am much obliged My wife who had torn off
the wrapper stated that there was some
writing on it - Did you have any queries to
make?

I have no Potomac news and
Remain as ever

Yours sincerely
A. W. Chapman